

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A method for displaying user selected information comprising the steps of:
 - providing video information received from a first source for display;
 - receiving a selected information from a second source; and
 - providing the selected information for display while the video information is being displayed, wherein display of the selected information is controlled by a user variable frequency of display parameter that determines when the selected information is displayed.
2. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the selected information is selected from a type of information on a variety of topics.
3. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
 - automatically displaying the selected information irrespective of content of the video.
4. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, further comprising the step of:
 - selecting a schedule for determining the frequency of display for automatically displaying the selected information, wherein
said schedule is modifiable by a user and
said schedule represents a user selectable interval of time that determines a time interval between when said selected information is displayed.

5. (previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the step of selecting a schedule includes the steps of:

selecting between frequency of display options of: (i) a continuous display of the selected type of the received information; (ii) periodic display of the selected type of the received information; and (iii) as a status change occurs display of the selected type of the received information.

6. (previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of selecting between the frequency of display option of as a status change occurs includes the step of:

selecting at least one of as an event changes and as an event is new.

7. (original) The method of claim 2, further comprising the step of selecting a type of the received information from the variety of subjects includes the step of:

providing an on-screen display of a selection menu.

8. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein the step of automatically displaying the selected type of information includes the step of:

displaying the selected type of information within an image displayed on the display device auxiliary to the display of the video from the first source on the display device.

9. (currently amended) A video processing television apparatus comprising:

a first means for receiving a program;

a means for selecting information to be received;

a second means for receiving the selected information;

a means for displaying the program; and

a means for displaying the selected information during display of the program, wherein said selected information is displayed in accordance with a user variable frequency of display parameter that controls when said selected information is displayed.

10. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 9, wherein the means for displaying the selected information includes a means for automatically displaying the selected information irrespective of content of the program.

11. (original) The apparatus of claim 9, wherein the means for selecting a type of information to be received includes means for selecting a type of information from information on a variety of topics.

12. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 9, further comprising:
a means for selecting the frequency of display of the selected information.

13. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein said means for selecting the frequency of display of the selected information on the means for displaying includes:

a means for selecting one of (i) a continuous display of the selected information; (ii) periodic display of the selected information; and (iii) as a status change occurs display of the selected information.

14. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the means for selecting one of (i) a continuous display of the selected information; (ii) periodic display of the selected information; and (iii) as a status change occurs display of the selected information, includes a means for selecting at least one of (a) as an event changes and (b) as an event is new, in the case of selection of as a status change occurs display of the selected information.

15. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 9, further comprising:
a means for generating an on-screen display menu operable to permit user selection of the type of information to be received.

16. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 9, further comprising:
a means for displaying the selected information within an image displayed on the means for displaying the image being auxiliary to the display of the program.

17. (currently amended) A television signal receiving apparatus comprising:

a processing unit;

a first tuner in communication with said processing unit and operable to receive a program from a first source;

a second tuner in communication with said processing unit and operable to receive auxiliary information on a variety of topics from a second source;

an auxiliary information parser in communication with said processing unit and said second tuner and operable to extract the auxiliary information from the second source;

means for selecting a type of the auxiliary information from the variety of topics for display; and

a display in communication with said processing unit, said first tuner, and said second tuner;

wherein said processing unit is operable to display the program on the display and concurrently display the selected type of auxiliary information on the display irrespective of the content of the program, and said display of said auxiliary information is controlled by a user variable frequency of display parameter that determines the frequency of when auxiliary information is displayed.

18. (original) The television signal receiving apparatus of claim 17, further comprising:

an on-screen display generator in communication with said processing unit and said display, and operable to provide an on-screen menu adapted to allow selection of types of auxiliary information by a user.

19. (currently amended) The television signal receiving apparatus of claim 17, further comprising:

~~means for selecting the frequency of display parameter controlling the display of the selected type of auxiliary information including a means for selecting one of (i) a continuous display of the selected type of the received information; (ii) periodic display of the selected type of the received information;~~

~~and (iii) as a status change occurs display of the selected type of the received information.~~ said user variable frequency of display parameter as a modifiable time interval that determines a length of time in between when said auxiliary information is displayed.

20. (original) The television signal receiving apparatus of claim 17, wherein the processing unit is operable to display the selected type of the auxiliary information within an image displayed on said display in addition to the display of the program.